

Enhanced Maneuverability and Stability of Missiles

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Outline

- Orbital Research Background
 - Company History
 - Programs
- Active Flow Control Program Research
- Missile Stability and Maneuverability Enhancement
 - Vorticity Control Theory
 - Hardware and Experimental Set-up
 - Dynamic Test Results in Wind Tunnel
 - Conclusions



Company Background

- **Founded:** February, 1991
- **Mission:** To find new and innovative technological solutions in advanced controls and microdevices for various military and commercial applications.
- **Focus:** To transition basic research and development technologies from the laboratory environment to hardware platforms.
- **Location:** 673G Alpha Drive, Cleveland, Ohio
- **Employees:** Twenty employees (sixteen full-time) and twelve consultants
- **Core technologies:**
 - Micro Devices and Sensors
 - Advanced Controls



Orbital Research is a Small Business but....

- In business for 10 years

Inc.

- **Top 500** – selected as one of the fastest growing companies in the US to be awarded 06/02



- **“Weatherhead 100 - Outstanding Corporate Growth Award,”** Weatherhead School of Management 1999, 2000 and 2001



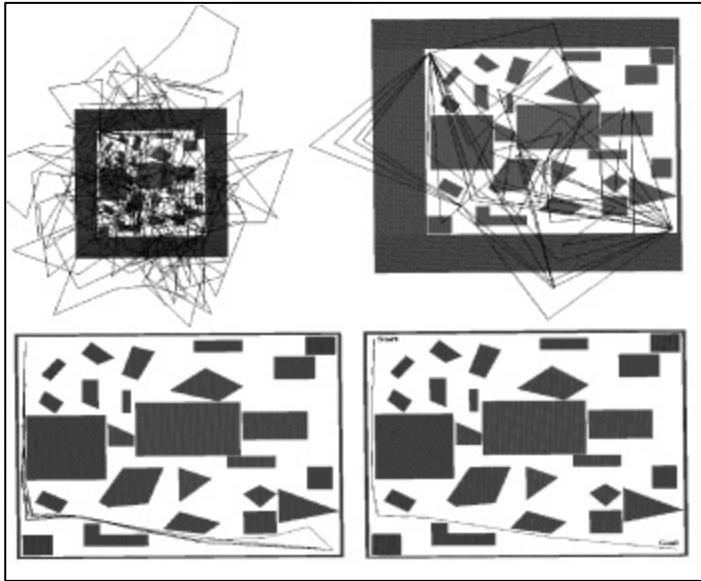
- **“Inner City 100 Award”** from **Inc. Magazine’s** Initiative for a Competitive Inner City in 1999, 2000, and 2001



Advanced Real-Time Control Research

MAPPER (Genetic Algorithm)

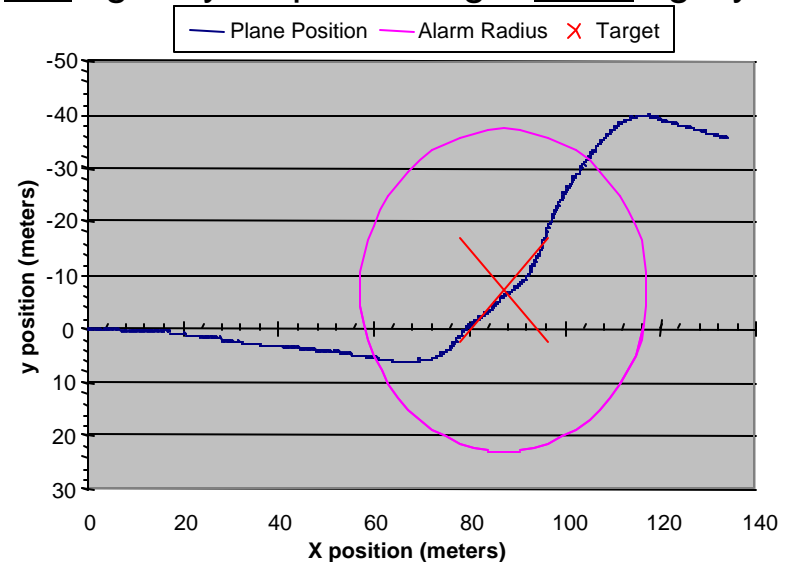
Multiresolution **A**utonomous **P**ath **P**lanning
Evolutionary **R**outing Algorithm



MAPPER - finds near optimal solutions

Biologically Inspired Controls

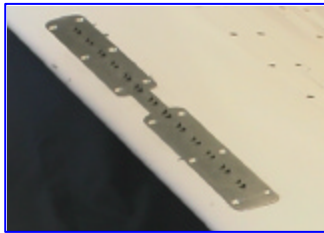
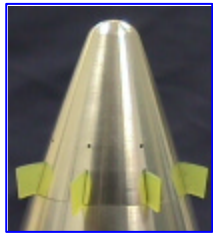
- **B**io logically Inspired **A**utonomous **V**ehicle **E**scape **R**eflex **T**actic (**BioAVERT**)
- **B**io logically Inspired Target **S**eeking System



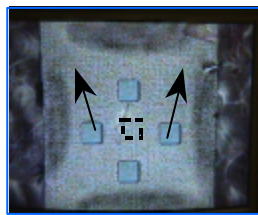
Micro Devices and Sensors

MEMS Microvalves

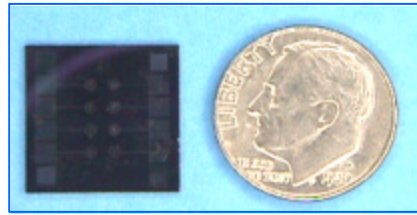
Flow Control Devices



Missile and Airfoil Control



MEMS Microvalve

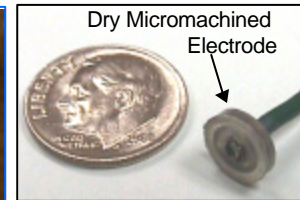


**Array of 8
Microvalves**

Medical Devices



**Refreshable Braille
Display System**



**Physiological
Electrode**

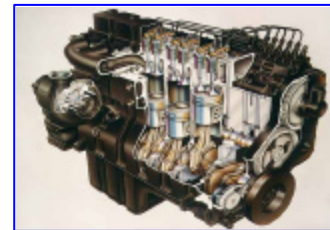
Micro Pressure Transducers

In-Situ Pressure Transducers for Turbine Engines



- dynamic pressure measurement
- Stall detection
- Reduced emissions
- Fuel efficiency
- Blade-tip passing
- Engine health monitoring
- Flame-out detection

In-cylinder Pressure Transducers for Diesel Engines



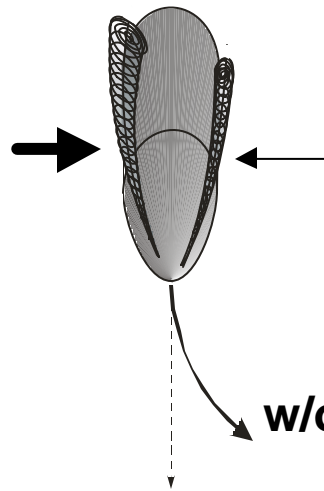
- Linear output over wide range of strain
- High sensitivity
- Operates above engine temperature
- Robust design for combustion monitoring



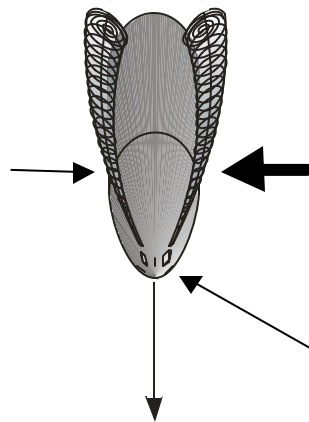
Missile Control Theory

Enhanced Missile Maneuverability Through Intelligent Control of Asymmetric Vortices

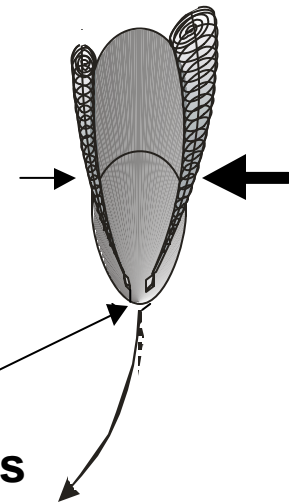
Natural Asymmetric Vortices



Stable Flight



Enhanced Maneuverability



w/o Flow Effectors

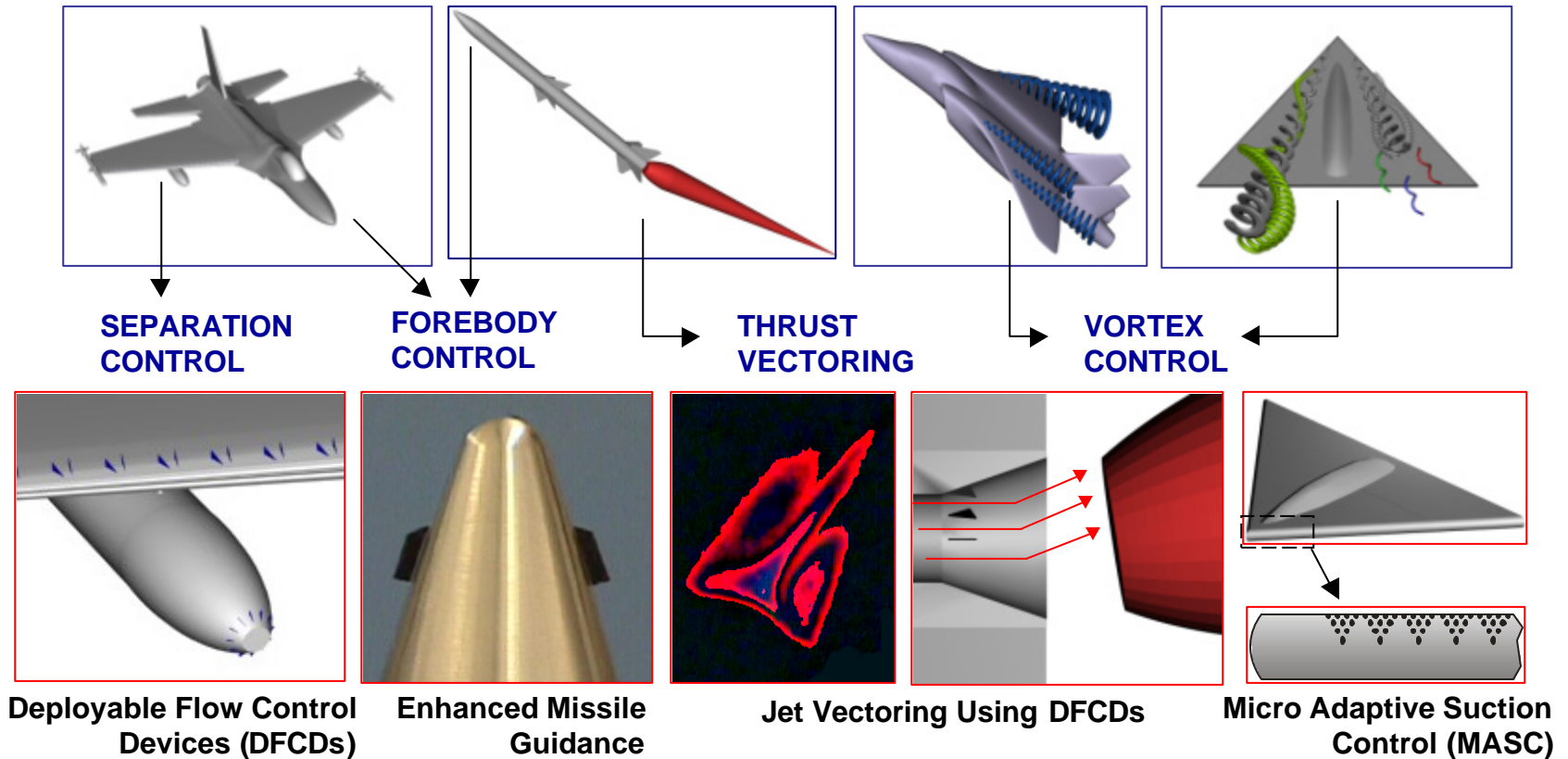
Cycling
Flow Effectors

Keys to Enhanced Maneuverability:

- **Real-time Controller** - respond to sensor feedback and guidance information
- **Pressure Sensors** - provide low cost flow environment characterization
- **MEMS Actuation** of Flow Effectors - provide low power, low volume actuation



Active Flow Control Overview

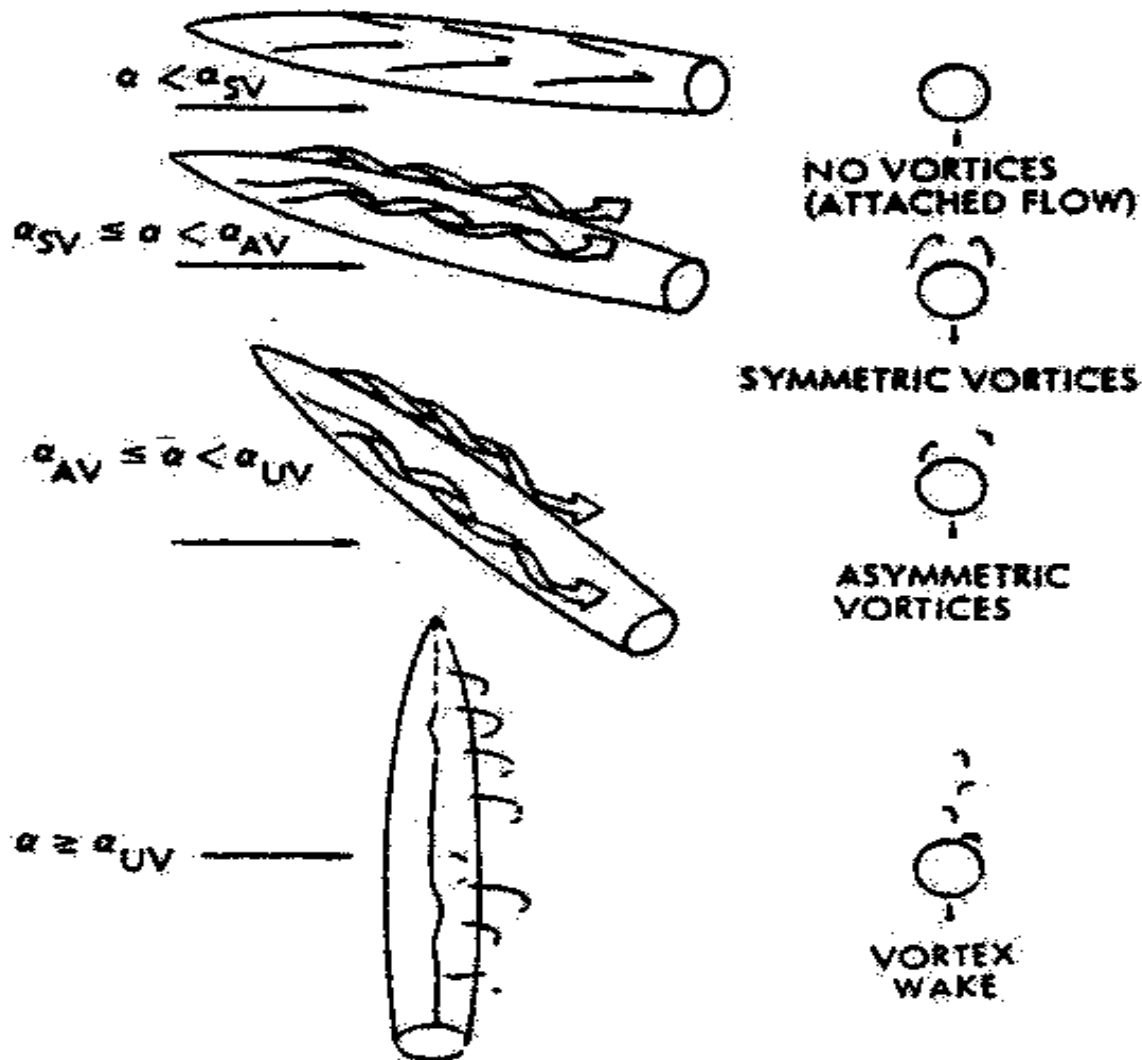


- AIRFOIL RESEARCH
- DELTA WING RESEARCH
- MISSILE RESEARCH

Experimental Fluid Dynamics (EFD)
+
Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD)



Asymmetric Vortices at High Angles of Attack



Effect of α on Leeward Flowfield

Asymmetric Vortex Shedding at High α is Caused By Uneven Flow Separation from the Nosecone

Reference:

Ericsson, L. E., Reding, J. P., *Asymmetric Flow Separation and Vortex Shedding on Bodies of Revolution*, Tactical Missile Aerodynamics, edited by Michael J. Hemsch, Vol. 141, Progress in Aerospace and Aeronautics, AIAA, New York, pp.391-452, 1991.



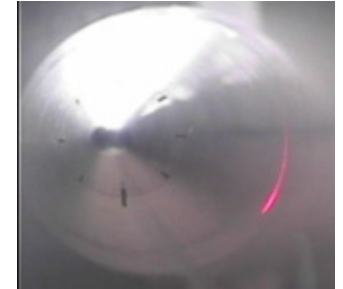
Slender Body Aerodynamic Problems

Significant Asymmetric Vortices at High Angles of Attack

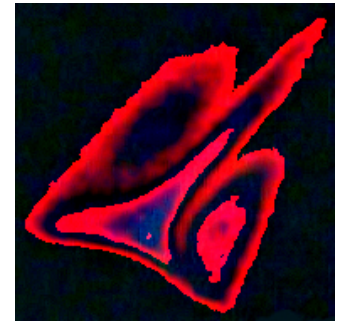
- Limit Maneuverability and Range
- Reduce Stability especially at High Angles of Attack

Causes of Asymmetric Vortices at High Angles of Attack

- Uneven flow separation from the nosecone
- Micro-asymmetries on the surface of the nosecone
- Small dents, cracks in the paint, microscopic imperfections near the tip of the nosecone
- Other factors - bluntness of the forebody, Reynolds number, roll angle, and, the angle of attack.



Missile Model



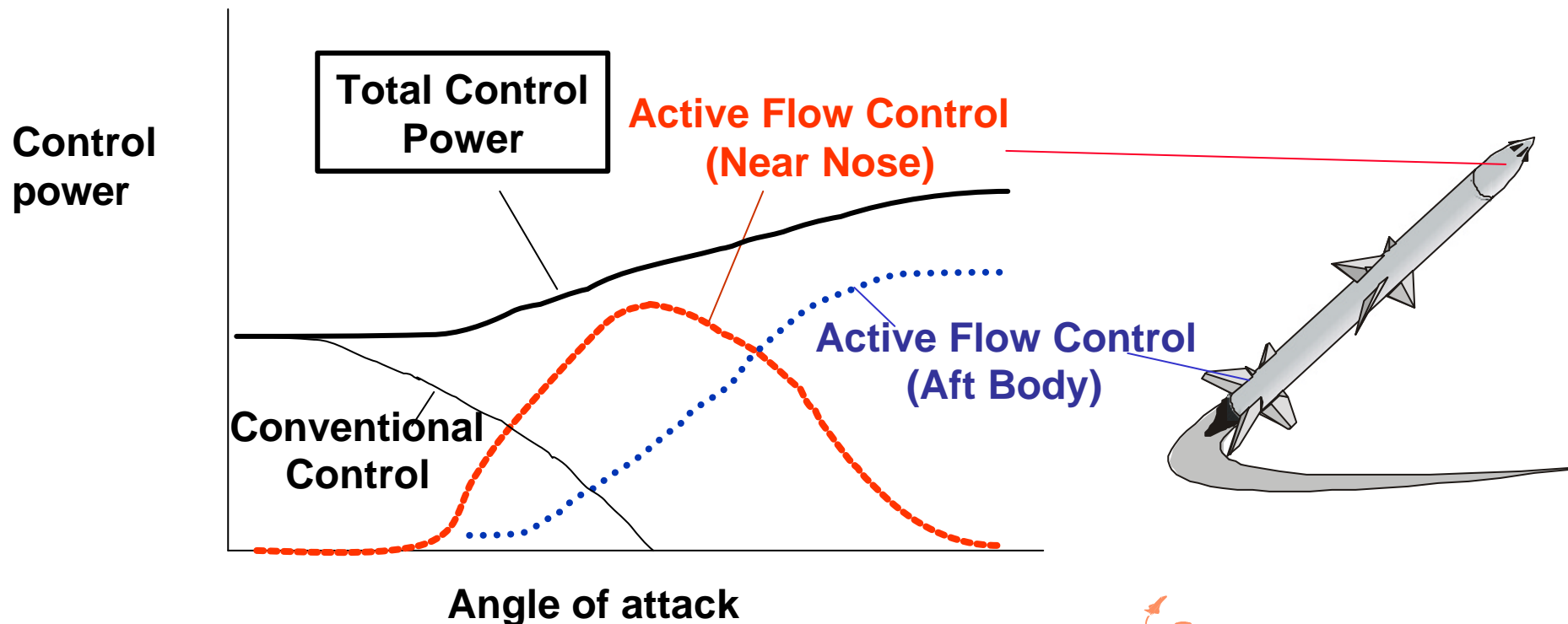
Flow Visualization
using Laser Sheet

Significant yawing moments cause instability due to pressure differentials across missile body



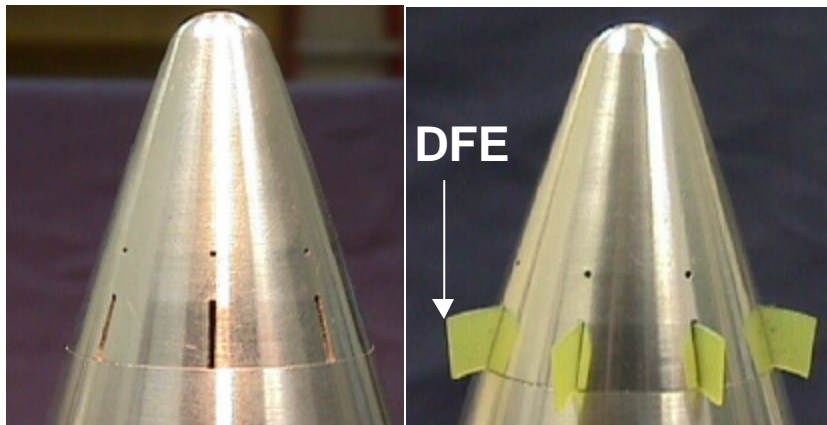
Slender Body Research Goals

- Stabilize a 3:1 Tangent Ogive Missile while at High Angle of Attacks by controlling Asymmetric Vortex Formation with Deployable Micro Flow Control Devices
- Generate Moments Utilizing Deployable Flow Effectors for Active Control
- Design and Develop a Control Algorithm based on Wind Tunnel Tests for Stabilization and Enhanced Maneuverability



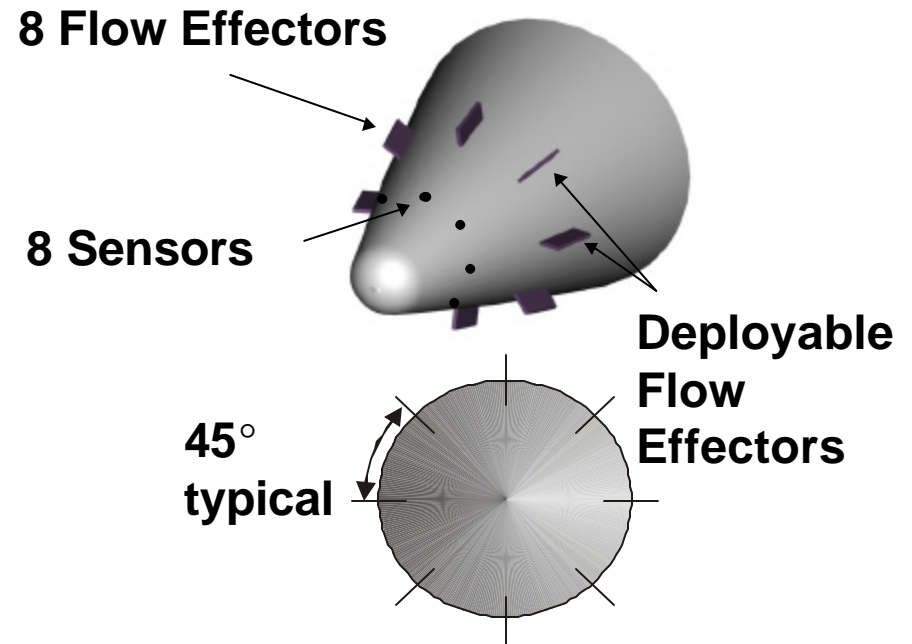
Deployable Flow Effectors – Co-Located Actuator and Sensors

Photograph of Nose



Retracted
Flow Effectors

Flow Effectors
Deployed



**Goal to prove deployable flow effectors on missile nose
can stabilize and control forces caused by phantom yaw at high alpha**

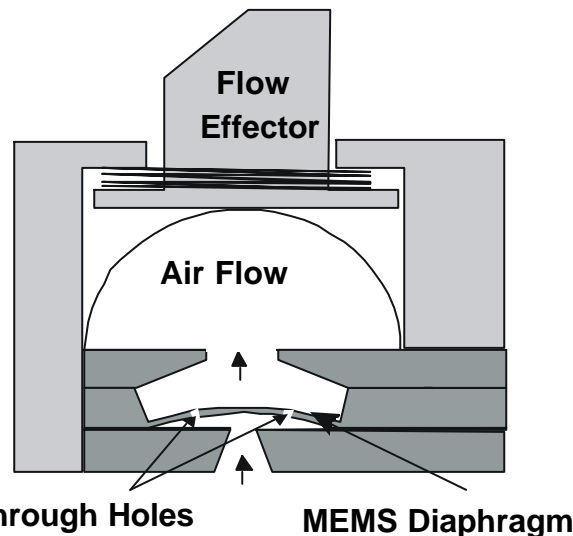


MEMS Actuation for Deployable Flow Effectors

MEMS Challenges for aerodynamic surfaces

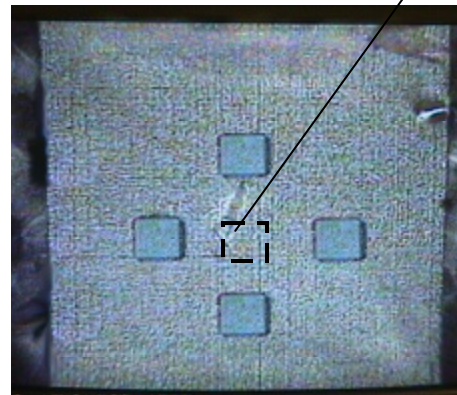
- Need all weather Actuator (temperature, rain, snow, ice)
- The inherent fragility of the MEMS devices
- Insufficient throws
- Interfacing constraints such as power and size
- The temperature change (above 200°C)

MEMS - Microvalve beneath the surface



ORI's Patented MEMS Microvalve Actuation

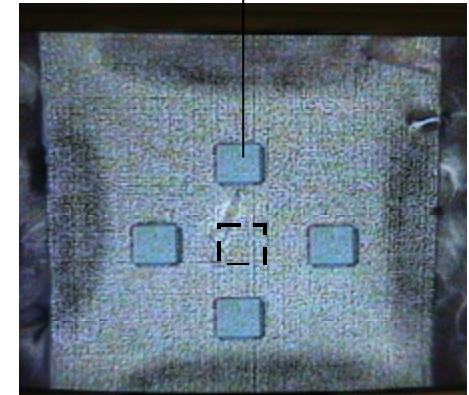
Power consumption < 5mW
Flow rates – 0-300 ml/min.
Pressure – 1-10 psi.



**ORI's MEMS Microvalve
– Closed position**

Orifice wafer thru holes

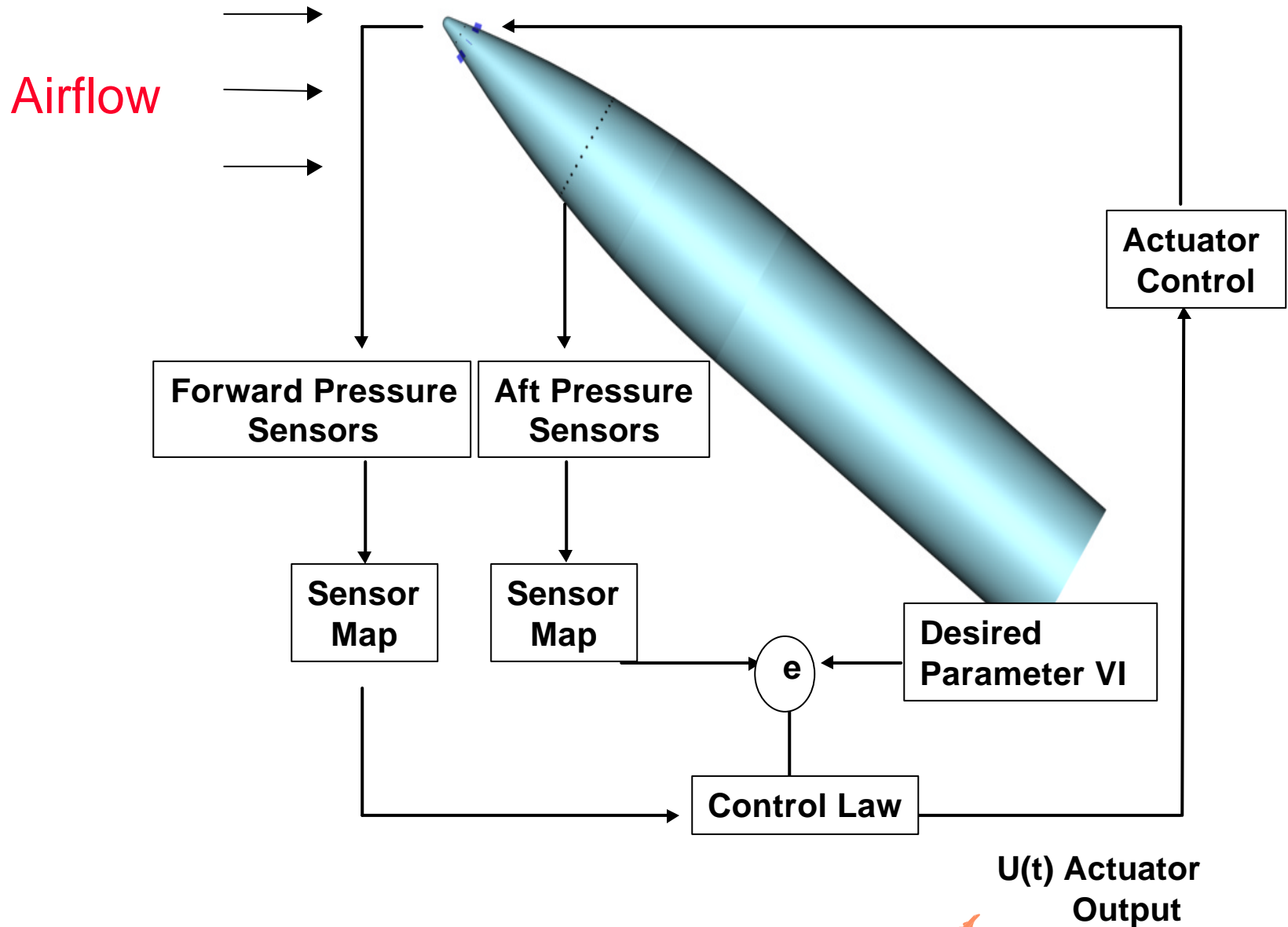
Diaphragm wafer thru holes



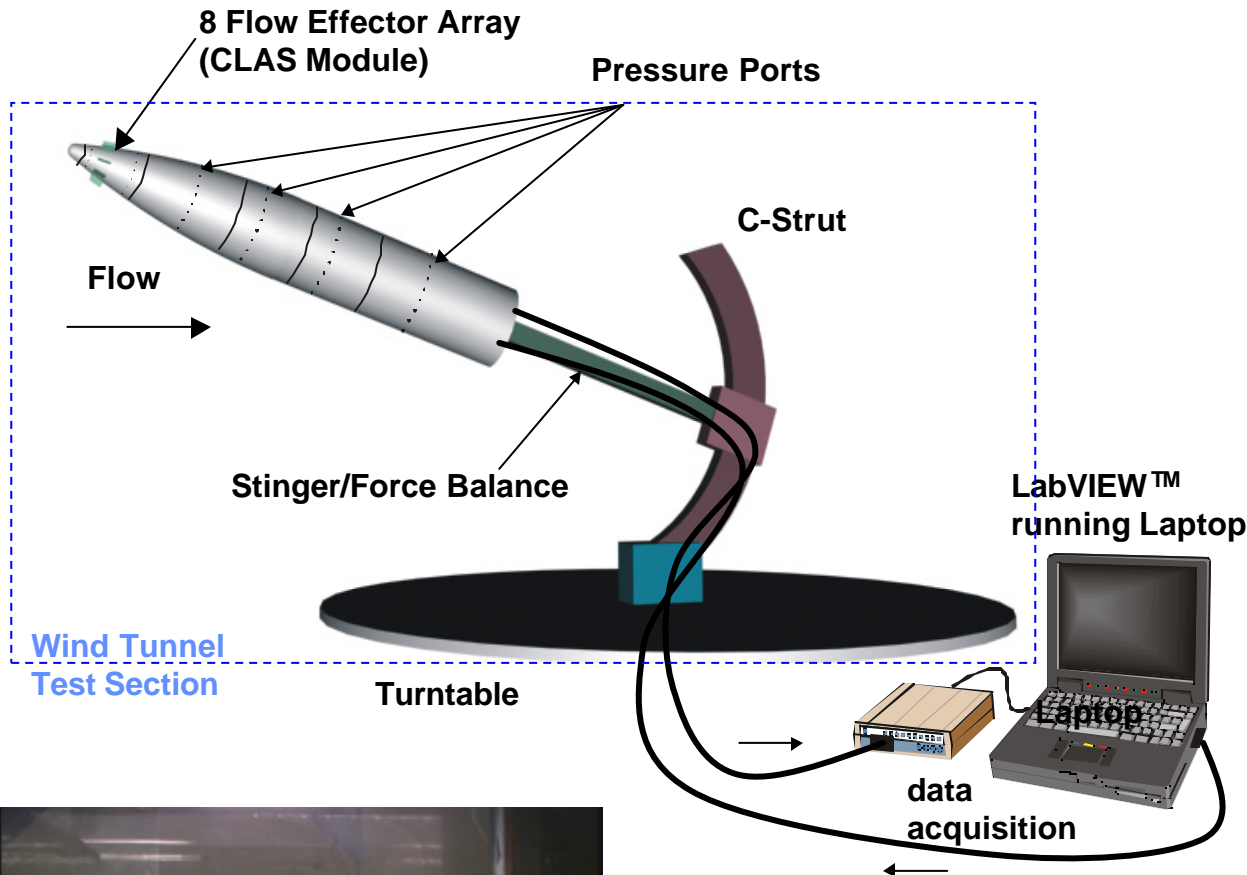
**ORI's MEMS Microvalve
– Open position**
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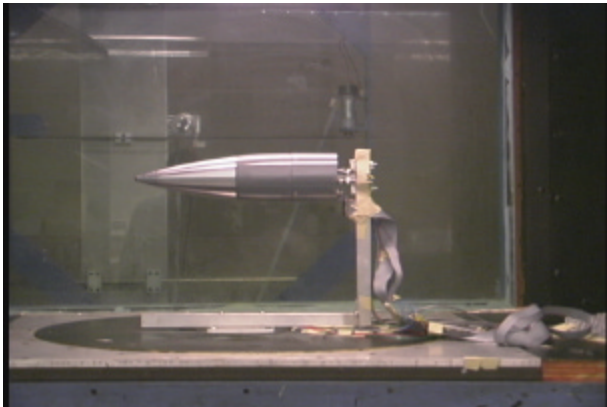
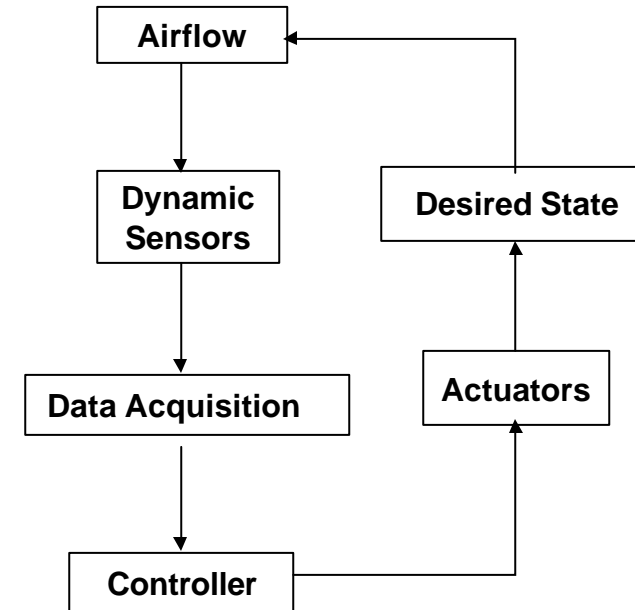
Closed-Loop Feedback Control – Block Diagram



Experimental Set-up & Facility



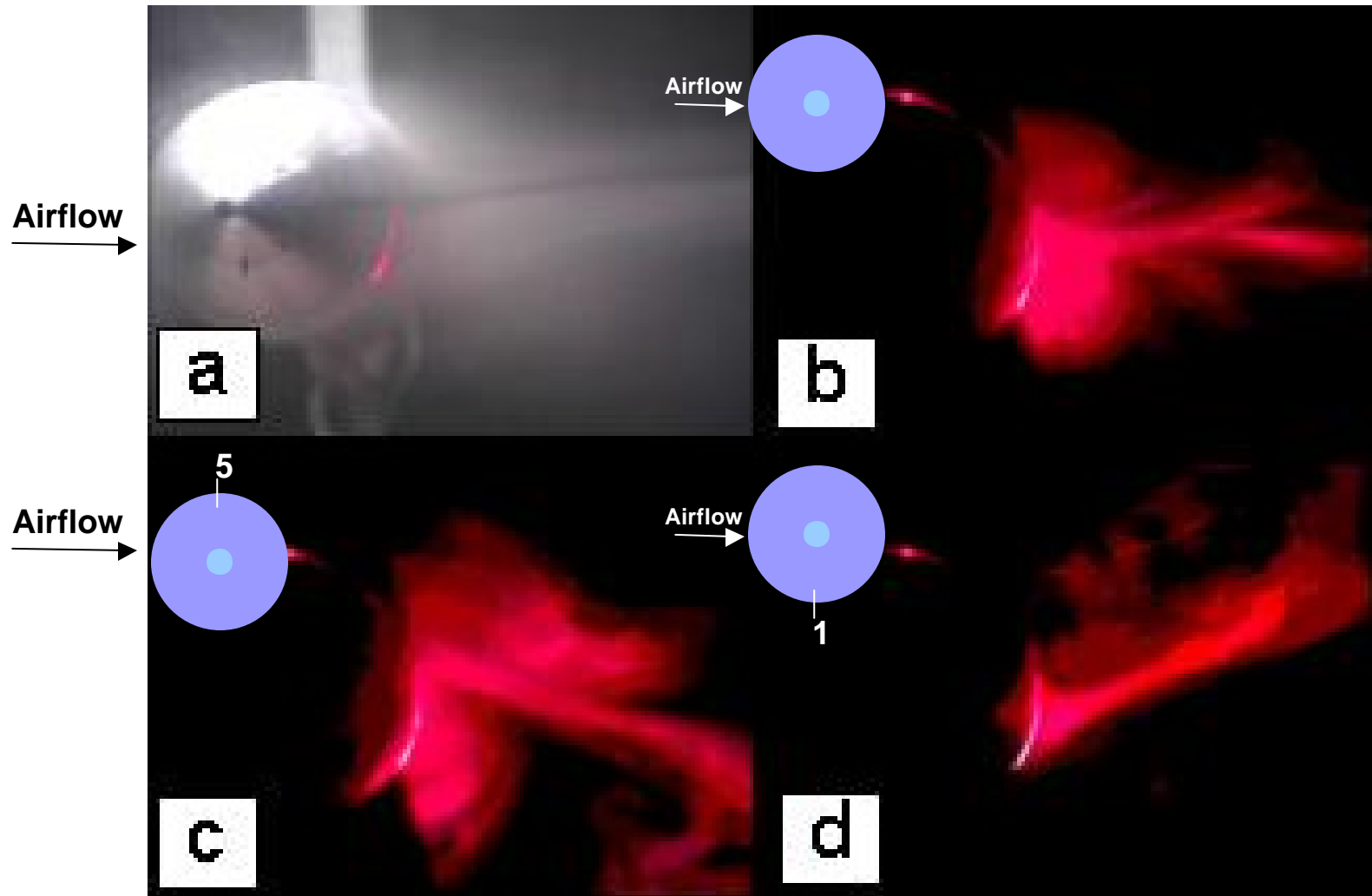
Controller Flow Chart



- Wind Tunnel – 3 x 3 ft. (closed-loop) at The University of Toledo
- Reynolds No – 1×10^6
- AoA – $0^\circ \sim 60^\circ$



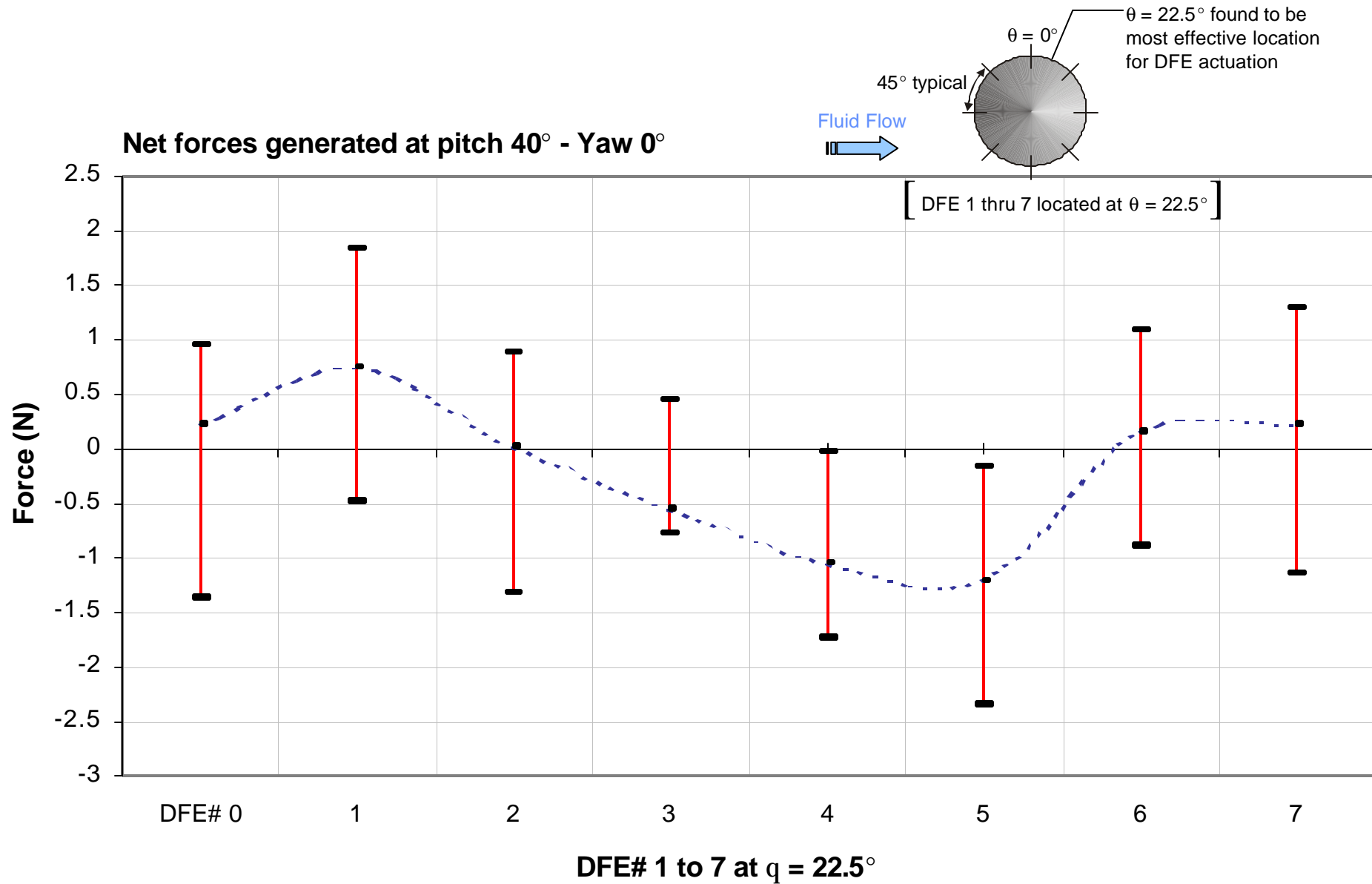
Flow Visualization Snapshots - Vortex Control



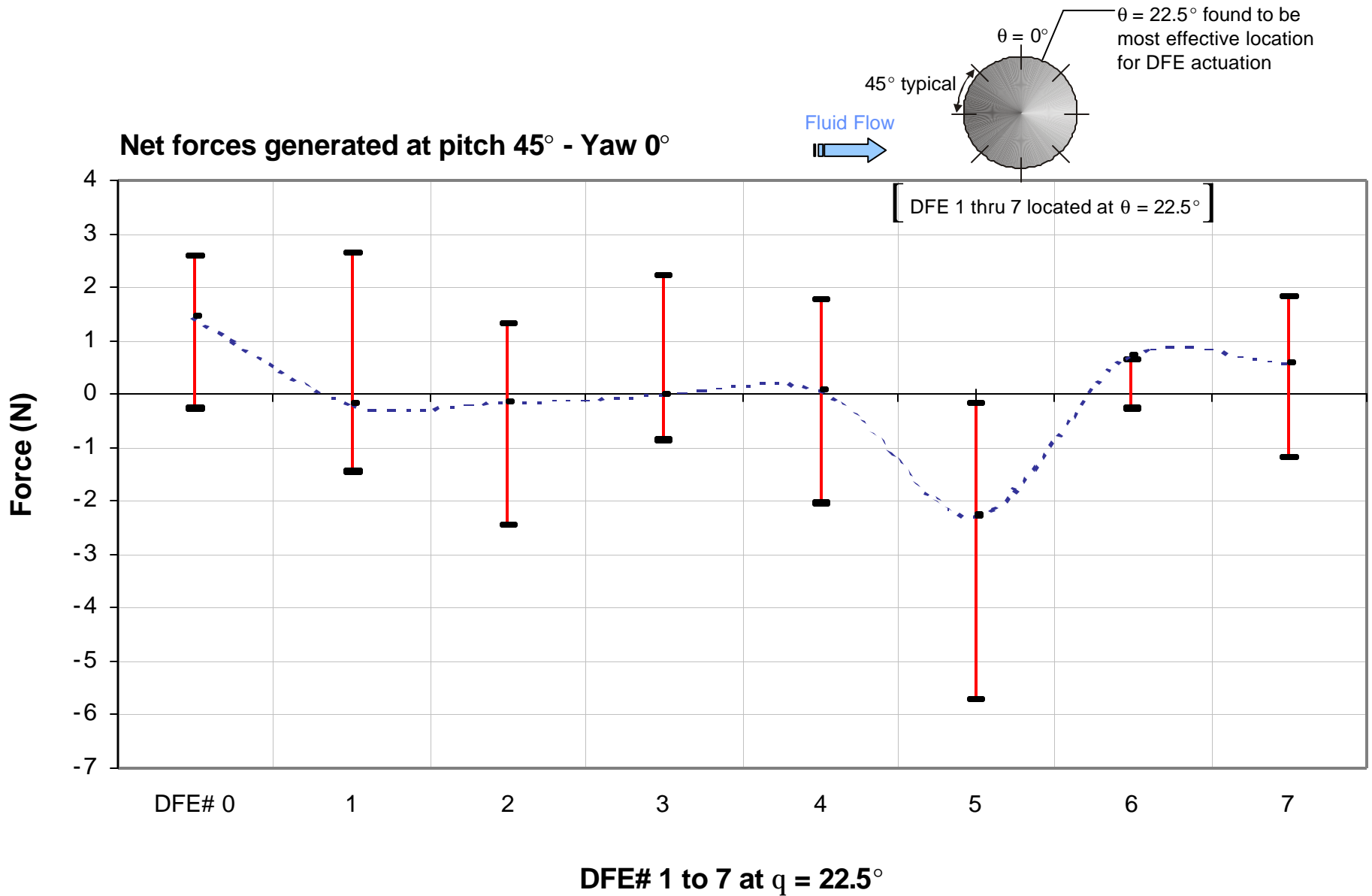
Laser sheet flow visualization at $\alpha = 60^\circ$. (a) Normal view of Missile model (b) Baseline with no DFE (c) DFE #5 actuated (d) DFE #1 actuated.



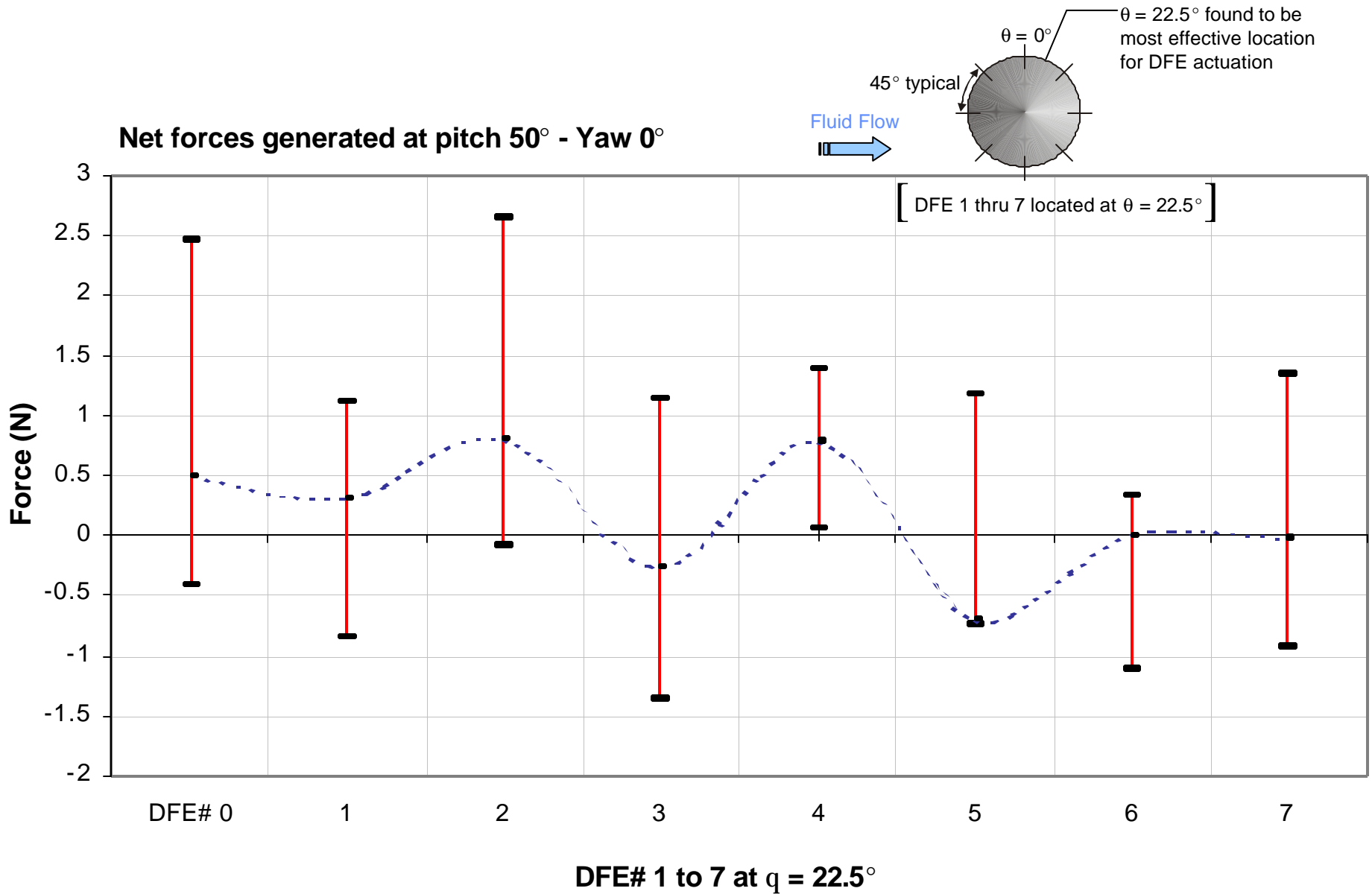
Experimental Results - Control Forces at 40° AoA



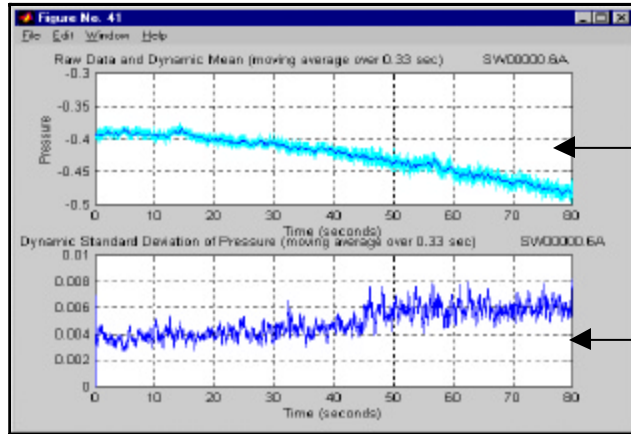
Control Forces - 45° AoA



Control Forces - 50° AoA



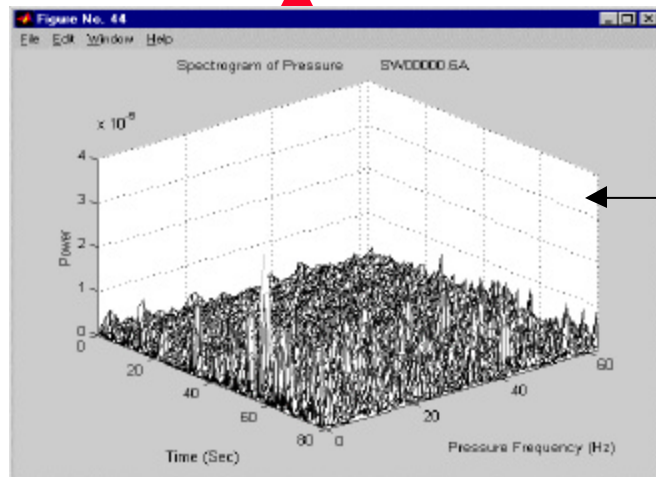
Deployable Flow Effectors Cycling Effects



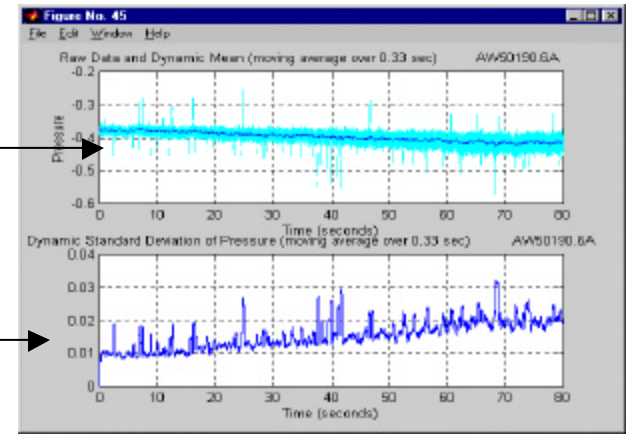
Pressure and its
dynamic mean vs.
time

STDEV vs. time

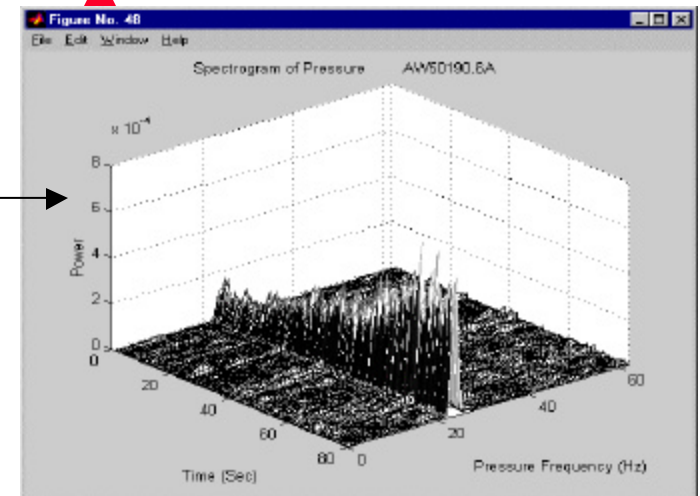
Constant DFE Deployment



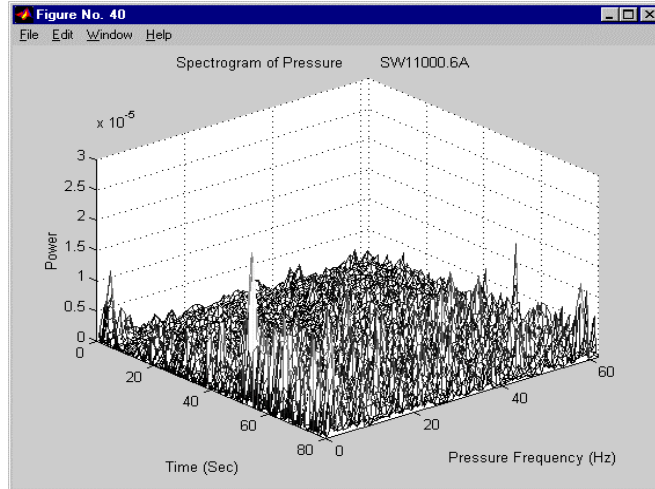
Time varying spectral
plots



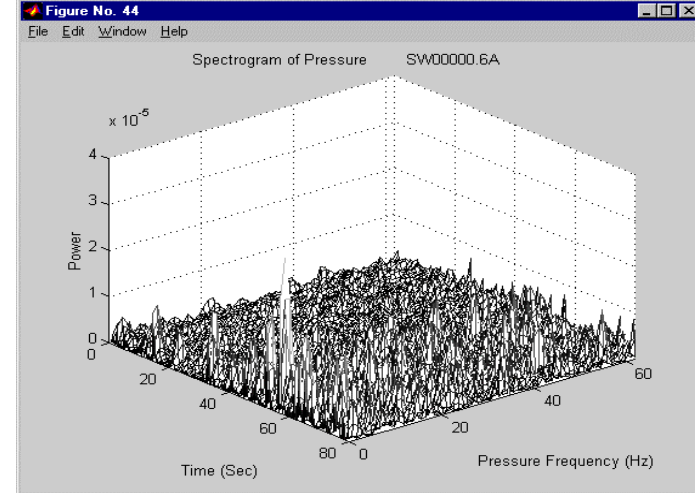
DFE Deployed at 20 Hz. with a 50% duty cycle



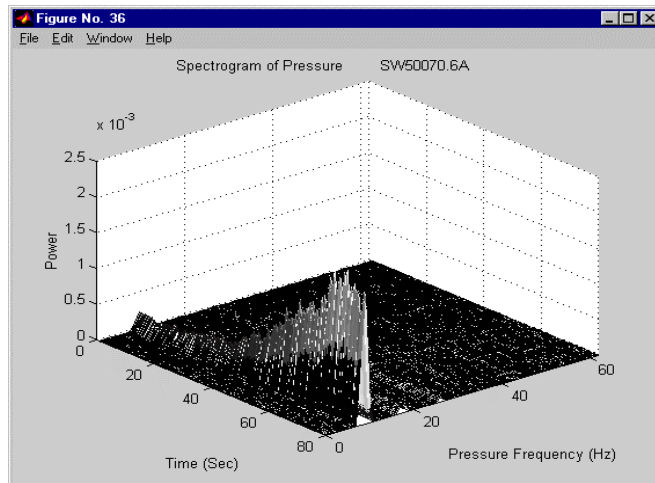
Deployable Flow Effectors – Power Spectrum



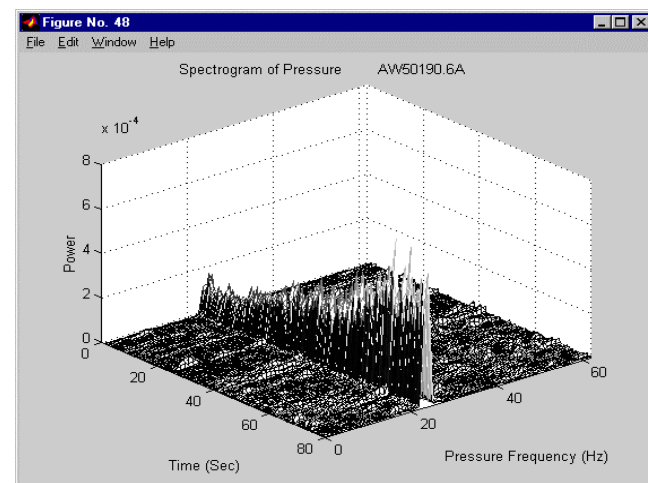
Power spectrum baseline model



Power spectrum – passively deployed flow effector

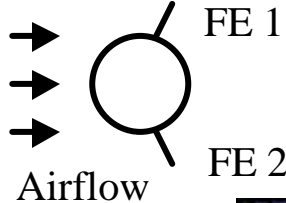


Power spectrum – DFE cycling at 7 Hz. 50% duty cycle



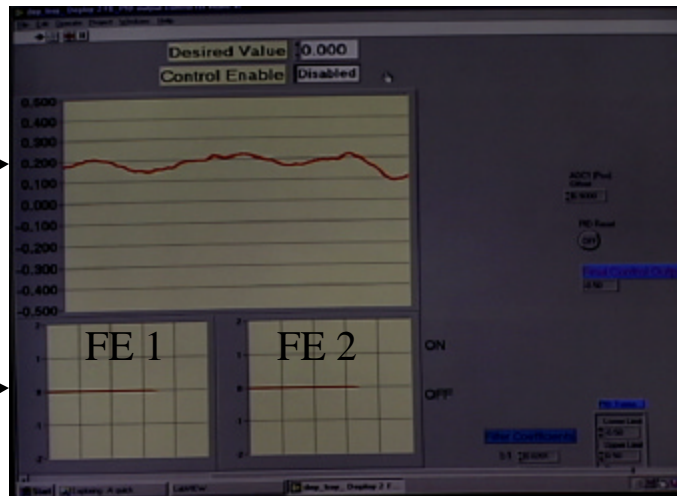
Power spectrum – DFE cycling at 20 Hz. 50% duty cycle



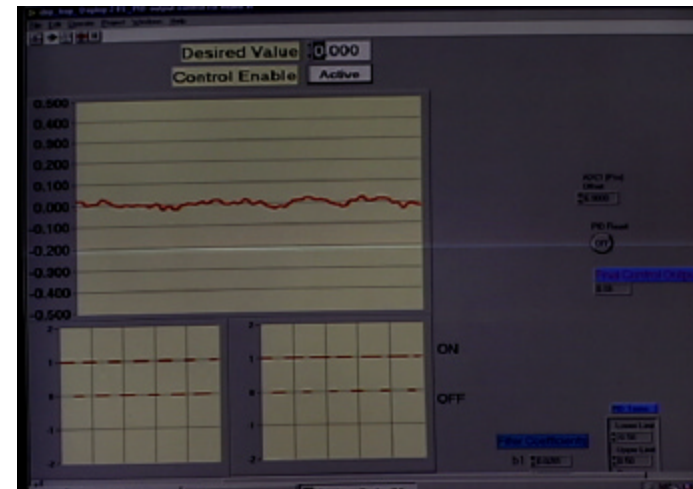


Real-Time Dynamic Missile Control @ 60° AoA

Base Line (No Control)



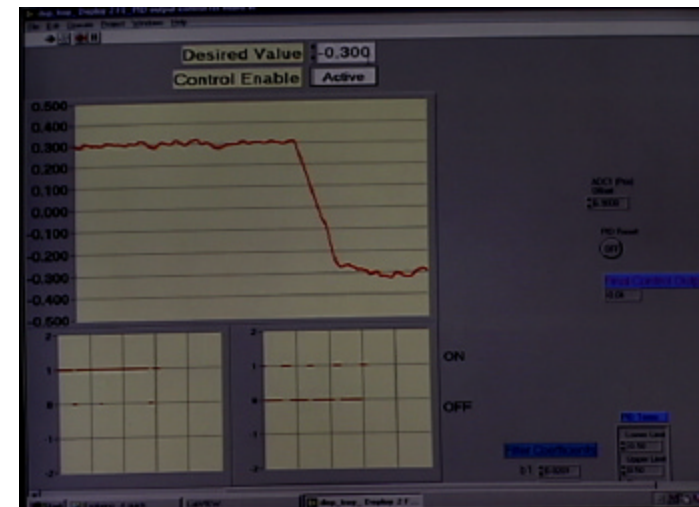
Control Enabled (Zero Side Force)



Control Enabled (Desired Force Obtained)



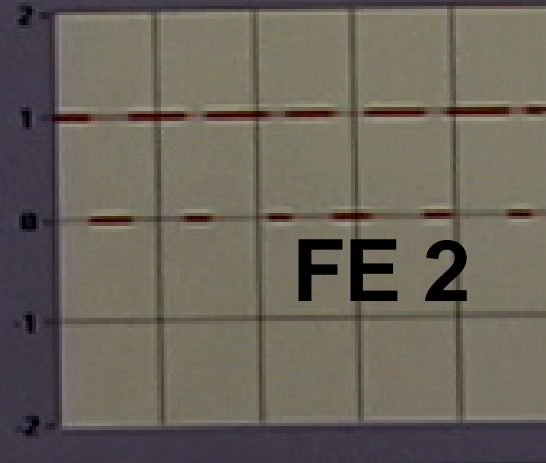
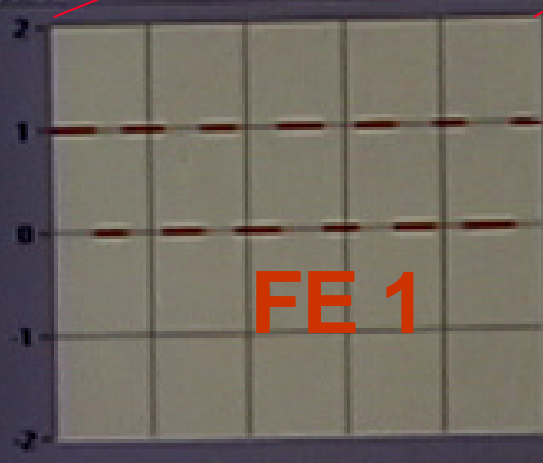
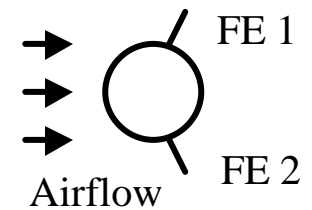
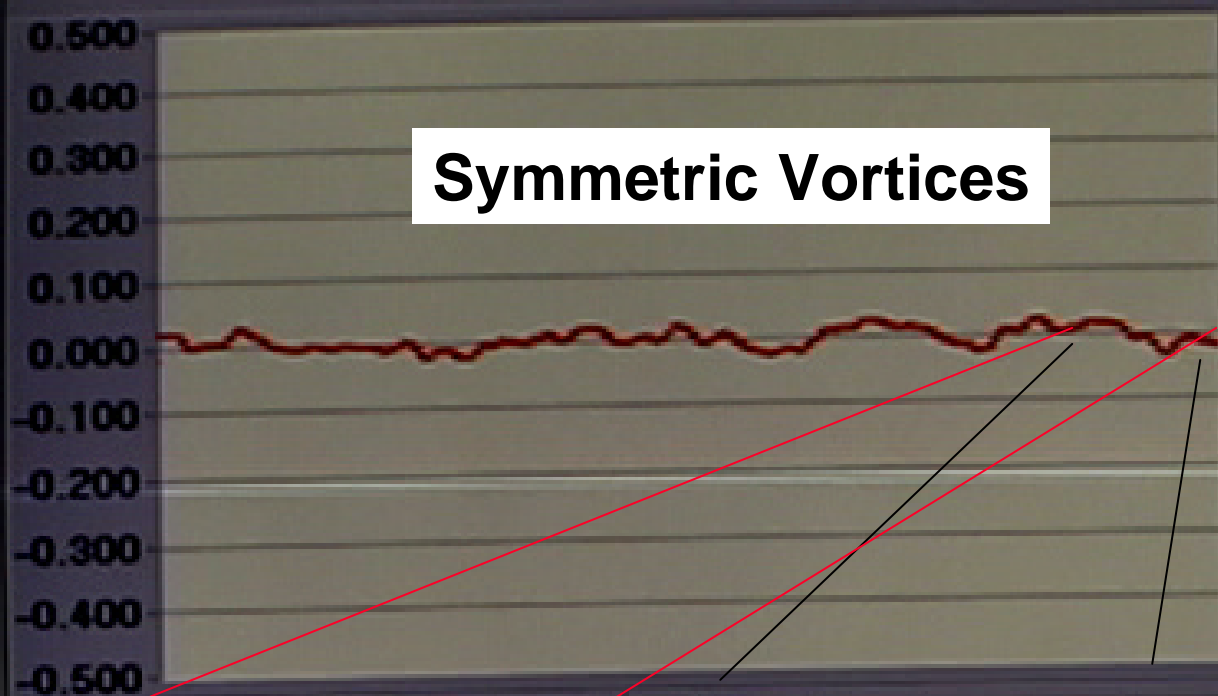
Control Enabled (Opposite Side Force Obtained)



Desired Value : 0.000

Control Enable Active

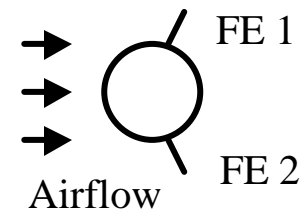
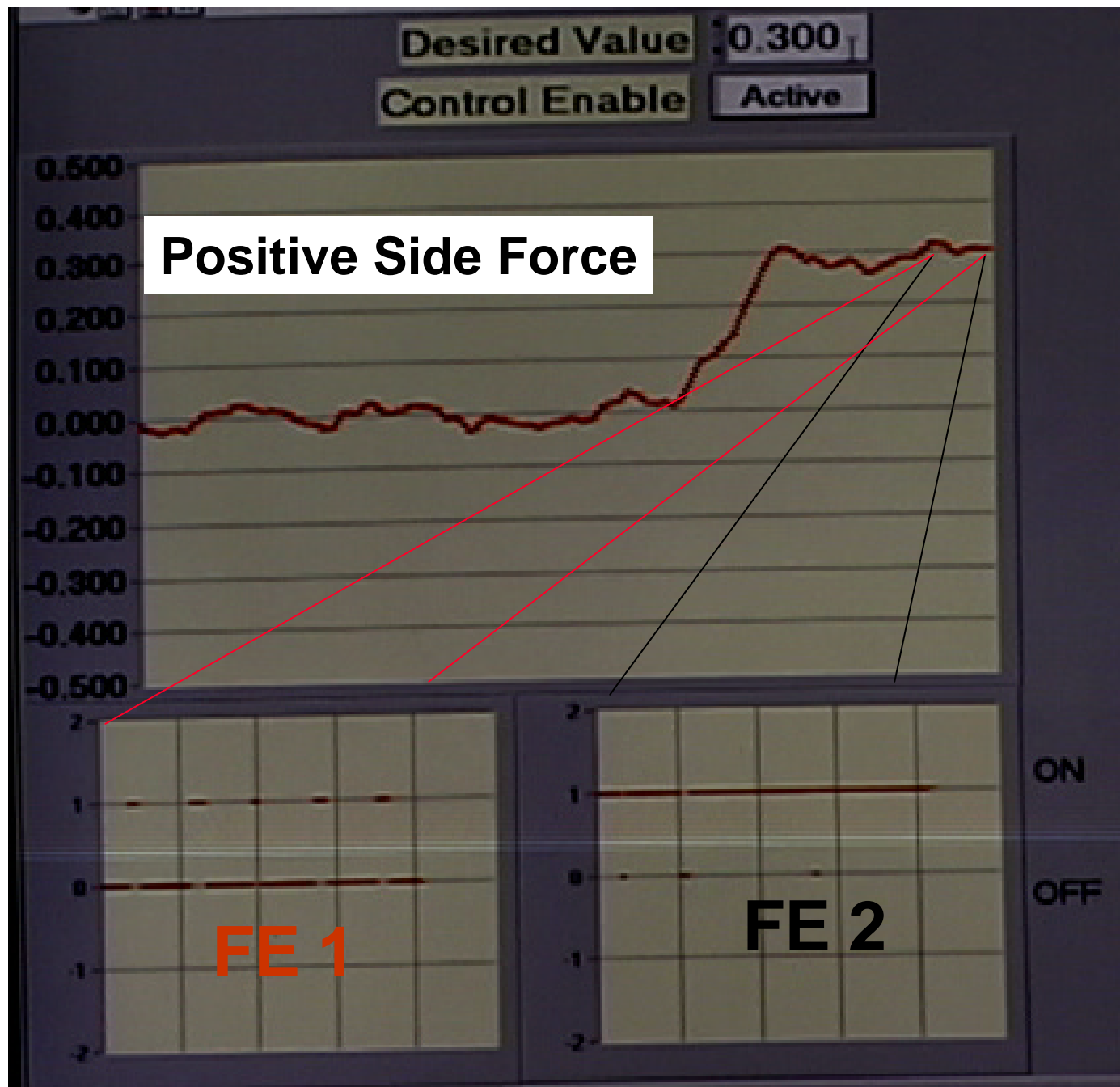
Symmetric Vortices

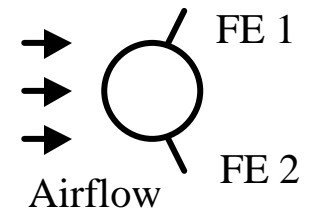


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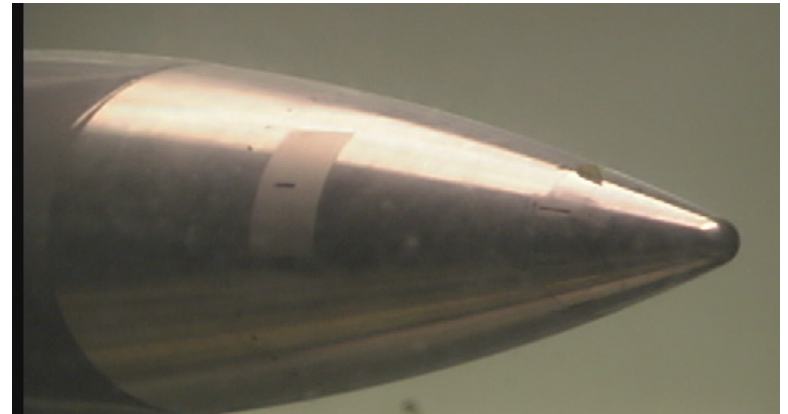
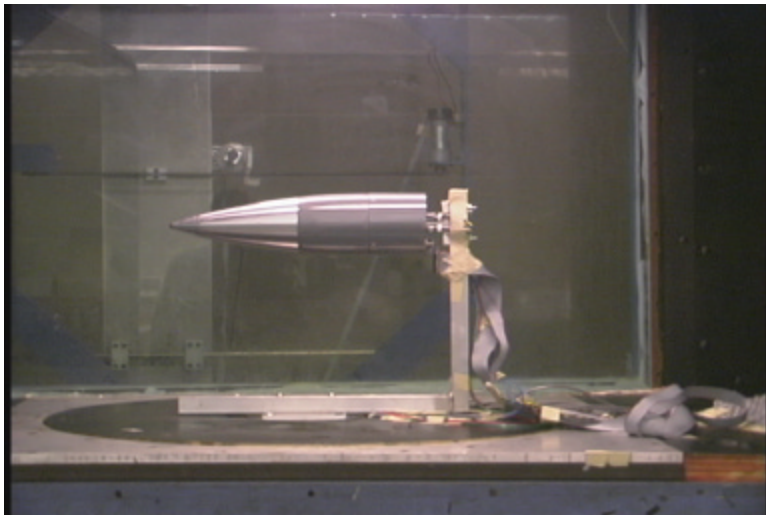






Dynamic Model Testing

- Pitch Rates up to $140^\circ/\text{s}$
- Dynamic Missile Control with Multiple Flow Effectors and Pressure Sensors
- Closed Loop Control During High Rates

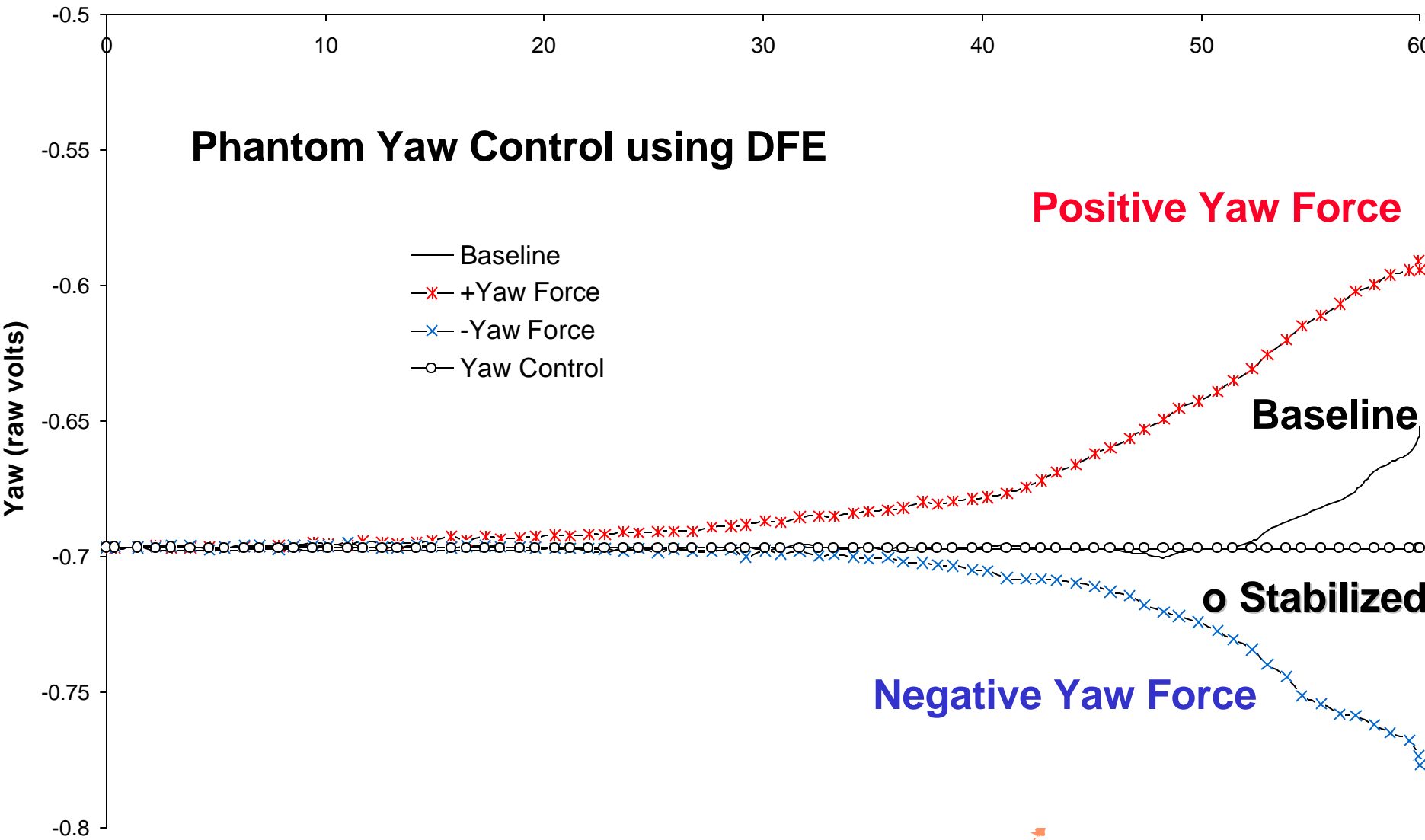


Dynamic Sweep & High Alpha Missile Control

Phantom Yaw Control using DFEs

AoA

Phantom Yaw Control using DFE



Positive Yaw Force

Baseline

o Stabilized

Negative Yaw Force



Accomplishments of Missile Control Program

- Stabilized a 3:1 Tangent Ogive Missile model while at High Angle of Attacks Using Co-located Sensors and Actuator which controlled Asymmetric Vortex Formation with Deployable Flow Control Devices
- Successfully Generated Moments Utilizing Deployable Flow Effectors for Active Control
- Demonstrated Closed-loop Missile Control Under Static Conditions, High Alpha Sweep, & Dynamic Conditions at High Alpha During Wind Tunnel Tests

